

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Kenji Fukudome and Charles Esmon

Serial No.: 09/378,261

Filed: August 20, 1999

For: CLONING AND REGULATION OF AN

ENDOTHELIAL CELL PROTEIN

C/ACTIVATED PROTEIN C RECEPTOR

Group Art Unit:

1647

Examiner:

Stephen Gucker

Atty. Dkt. No.: OMRF:062USD3/SLH

AMENDMENT TO PLACE APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE

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Commissioner:

This is in response to the Decision on Appeal, dated March 3, 2005, to which a response is due on May 3, 2005. Applicants are providing an amendment that introduces the subject matter of allowable claim 24 into independent claim 16. This is believed to overcome the affirmed rejection of claim 16, and to place the application in condition for allowance.

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